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Council Chambers 4:00 P.M.
Monday, December 8, 1958

Council met in regular session. Present on roll call 7; Anderson, Bratrud, Easterday, Humiston, Perdus, Porter and Price. Absent 2; Goering and Mayor Hanson. Mrs. Goering coming in at 4:30 P.M. In the absence of Mayor Hanson, Vice-Mayor Dr. Humiston presided at the meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Anderson that the minutes of the meeting of December 1, 1958 be approved as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Easterday. Ayes 6; Nays 0; Absent 2 Mr. Humiston (not voting).

PETITION:

Petition from W.H. Potucek for the annexation of property in the N.E. Tacoma area.

Mr. Rowlands said this Petition for annexation had been discussed at the staff meeting and they recommended that this matter be referred to the Planning Commission for appraisal of the situation to see if the area can be serviced with utilities, and then perhaps to set the hearing date for December 29.

Dr. Humiston said he felt the responsibility of checking into this matter was up to the Utilities Department and General Government, and not the Planning Department.

Mr. Buehler said this had already been checked with Utilities and that the Water Division was anxious to include this property in an L I D. He said all this information would be put on the Planning Commission Agenda for December 16.

Mr. Perdus moved that the hearing on the annexation of this property in N. E. Tacoma be set for December 29, 1958. Seconded by Mr. Bratrud.

Adopted on roll call December 8, 1958
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Goering and Hanson.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 15568

BY REQUEST OF BRATRUD:

Recinding Initial Resolutions Nos. 15101, 15102, 15103 and 15108, which provided for certain improvements in the areas generally bounded by Pearl St. from 6th Ave. to So. 19th and Woodlawn from So. 11th to So. 13th and from So. 17th to So. 19th Street.

Mr. Rowlands said these Resolutions are being recinded because revisions have been made in the petition due to remonstrances made. What is being done is merely re-defining the areas to be served.

It was moved by Mr. Perdus to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Mrs. Price.

Adopted on roll call December 8, 1958
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2; Goering and Mayor Hanson

Resolution No. 15569L I D 1969

BY PORTER:

Fixing January 13, 1959 at 4:00 P. M. as the date for hearing on L I D 1969 for sanitary sewers in Pearl Street from So. 8th to So. 18th Street; in Woodlawn from So. 11th to So. 13th and from So. 17th to So. 19th and in So. 13th and South 17th from Pearl Street to Woodlawn Street.

It was moved by Mr. Anderson to adopt the Resolution. Seconded by Mr. Perdue.

Adopted on roll call December 8, 1958

Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2. Goering and Mayor Hanson

Resolution No. 15570L I D 1973

BY PRICE:

Fixing January 13, 1959 at 4:00 P. M. as the date for hearing on L I D 1973 for storm drainage in Pearl Street from 6th Avenue to South 19th St., and in Woodlawn from South 11th to South 13th and from So. 17th to So. 19th Street.

It was moved by Mr. Perdue to adopt the Resolution. Seconded by Anderson.

Adopted on roll call December 8, 1958

Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Goering and Mayor Hanson

Resolution No. 15571L I D 2277

BY HANSON:

Fixing January 13, 1959 at 4:00 P. M. as the date for hearing on L I D 2277 for grading and surfacing of Pearl Street from 6th Avenue to South 19th and on Woodlawn Street from So. 11th to South 13th and from South 17th to South 19th.

It was moved by Mr. Perdue to adopt the Resolution. Seconded by Mr. Anderson.

Adopted on roll call December 8, 1958

Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Goering and Hanson

Resolution No. 15572L I D 4655

BY EASTERDAY:

Fixing January 27, 1959 at 4:00 P. M. as the date for hearing on L I D 4655 for paving in the alley between Mullen and Gove Street from No. 46th to North 48th; between Washington and Union from No. 33rd to No. 34th; between No. 36th and No. 37th from Monroe to Mason; between Pine and Anderson from So. 8th to So. 10th; between No. 26th and No. 27th from Proctor to Adams and between I and J Streets from 6th Avenue to 5th Street.

Mr. Rowlands said it has been determined that better bids are received when these larger areas are put together. If the L I D Committee, at the time of

hearing, decided to eliminate certain areas because of remonstrances, it would in no way jeopardize the complete development.

It was moved by Mr. Perdue to adopt the Resolution. Seconded by Mr. Anderson.

Adopted on roll call December 8, 1958
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2 - Goering and Mayor Hanson

Resolution No. 15573

L I D 4656

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BY ANDERSON:

Fixing January 27, 1959 at 4:00 P. M. As the date for hearing on L I D 4656 for concrete paving in the alley between A and Bell Street from So. 43rd to So. 45th; also between Fawcett and So. D Street from So. 36th to So. 37th Street.

It was moved by Mr. Perdue to adopt the Resolution. Seconded by Mr. Anderson.

Adopted on roll call December 8, 1958
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Goering and Mayor Hanson

Resolution No. 15574

BY PRICE:

Fixing Monday, January 12, 1959 as the date for hearing on the vacation of property on South 56th Street Between So. Lawrence and the flume line right of way lying northerly of a line 100 feet of South 56th Street. (Petition of John Serfozo et al).

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It was moved by Mr. Anderson to adopt the Resolution. Seconded by Mr. Bratrud.

Adopted on roll call December 8, 1958
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Goering and Mayor Hanson

Resolution No. 15575

BY PORTER:

Fixing Monday, January 12, 1959 as the date for hearing on the vacation of property on the North of So. Tacoma Way between So. 35th and So. Cedar Streets. (petition of Frank J. Johnson).

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Mr. Perdue moved to adopt the Resolution. Seconded by Mr. Bratrud.

Adopted on roll call December 8, 1958
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Goering and Mayor Hanson

Resolution No. 15576

BY GOERING:

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to execute and deliver to

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Kirby P. Hickey a local improvement assessment deed upon the payment of the sum of \$214.17 for property located between South 45th and So. 47th Street on South Cedar.

Mr. Easterday asked how much the City had invested in this. Mr. Rowlands said the property assessment is \$120.00 and the individual is to assume payment on the balance of L I D 1840, so the City will not lose anything.

It was moved by Mr. Perdue to adopt the Resolution. Seconded by Mr. Anderson.

Adopted on roll call December 8, 1958
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Goering and Mayor Hanson

Resolution No. 15577

BY EASTERDAY:

Authorizing the proper officers of the City to execute and deliver to the State of Washington property described as Parcel "A" in the area of Primary State Highway No. 1, Tacoma Freeway, South 40th Street to M Street.

Mr. Rowlands explained that this property was received from the School Board with the condition that if the City did not use the property for City street purposes, it would revert back to the School Board in 1954. Therefore, he said a quitclaim deed would clear the records.

It was then moved by Mr. Anderson to adopt the Resolution. Seconded by Mr. Bratrud.

Adopted on roll call December 8, 1958
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Goering and Mayor Hanson

Resolution No. 15578

BY GOERING:

Adopting the Workable Program of Urban Renewal, 1959 Recertification, as the present official plan of action for Urban Renewal within the City of Tacoma.

It was moved by Mr. Bratrud that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Perdue.

Adopted on roll call December 8, 1958
Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Goering and Mayor Hanson

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES:

Ordinance 16229

Amending Sec. 6.11.030 and 6.11.040 of the City Charter relating to licenses to permit and allow authorized bicycle dealers of Tacoma, to act as agents for the City of Tacoma in the issuance of bicycle licenses and the collection of license fees.

Mr. Rowlands said the fee would remain the same but with this procedure the Police Department would be helped.

Roll call: Ayes 8; Nays 0; Absent 1, Mayor Hanson. December 8, 1958

** Mr. Rowlands said in reference to this resolution, the Planning Department has submitted their workable program of Urban Renewal, and he felt it spells out very clearly and effectly the program that has been accomplished to date and what is expected to be accomplished during the next year. He said this recertification must take place annually in order to continue the City's eligibility for funds.

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Ordinance No. 16230

Amending certain sections of the City Charter and Official Code of the City of Tacoma, relating to pay and Compensation Plan for 1959 and adding a new section 1.12.345.

Dr. Humiston explained he had written a letter to the City Manager on November 20, 1958, asking that he be furnished with a list of job classifications where the salary survey data did not support raises for certain categories.

Mr. Rowlands review MC-235 explaining that the recommendations to the members of the City Council were outlined in MC-227, dated October 6, 1958.

On the basis of the information derived from studies, the City Manager and the Director of Utilities recommended to the Council such changes in salary raises as were pertinent to the fairness and adequacy of the overall salary structure. This July 1959 Wage and Salary Survey furnished the members of the Council included Federal, State, County and Municipal jurisdictions.

Reference was made to the current surveys made by the State of Washington Personnel Board, March, 1958, City of Seattle report, Bonneville Power Administration, and National Office Management Association, and also data supplied by individual unions. It should be recognized that wage and salary surveys do not provide an absolute method of setting salaries. Any use of such reports as a guide in determining the salary structure involves judgemental decisions which must be tempered with regard to ranges of pay in other classes in order to maintain internal relations, the availability of employees in particular occupational categories and the financial picture of the City.

The recommendations were based on data available and the information was transmitted to the Council, but the final determinations as to what is to be done has to be made by the Council.

Dr. Humiston said he was quite disturbed to think what might happen next year and the year after. "If the firm formula of equivalent pay is broken once, what are we going to do next year and the year after?" He thought it was a bad policy for the Council to take the lead in setting wage rates in the City. If the City Council is going to set up within the City Hall the leadership for the wages which are out of line with other employment in the City, they are making a serious mistake when they are trying to encourage business in the City. Dr. Humiston said this is why he asked that this be brought up again for discussion.

Mr. Perdue agreed wholeheartedly with Dr. Humiston's position as he had agreed at the time the Budget was being considered. He said he was fully in accord with the policy of paying the going rate in the community, but was not in favor of paying over and above that level. He said he did not think it was proper that one individual holding a particular type of job outside the City service, would have to pay his taxes in order to support others doing the same type of work for the City at higher wages. Mrs. Goering felt that the Council had a dual responsibility; first to see that the employees are treated fairly and that there is sufficient incentive for them to make the City Service a career. The other responsibility is to the tax payers, seeing that their money is not used unjustly or unfairly. She said she was sorry that the Council saw fit to make these increases which were not warranted by the survey.

Mr. Porter said that the method of using the wage survey as a guide or rule comes finally to personal opinion as to how to use it. He said in his opinion he thought the City Council used good judgement.

Mrs. Price said she felt that they had gone over this fairly at the time of the Budget hearing and had reached an agreement. Her feelings on the matter, she said, had not changed.

Dr. Humiston said his comments were directed fundamentally at the principle involved in the directions that were given to the City Manager and the Director of Utilities, as to how to prepare their recommendations on the budget. In his opinion, the changes made by the Council completely upset the general procedure.

Dr. Humiston pointed out that on the information compiled by Mr. Bixel, Director of Personnel, in reference to "Summary of Compensation Plan changes" in Ordinance No. 16230, under Sec. 1.12.360 through 1.12.620, it establishes a salary range for the City Manager and the Director of Utilities. He asked why the City Manager and the Director of Utilities are put on a salary range. He said the history of this was that when the compensation plan was first adopted, they were given a salary range, but two years ago the Council took positive action to remove them from the list of salary ranges and made the salary of those two positions a matter of the Council and the Utility Board's discretion each year at budget time, rather than insert automatic raises.

Mr. Anderson explained that this was his suggestion, so that the Council could take action on the salaries. He thought that if the Manager's and the Director of Utilities' salaries were in the budget the same as other employees, it would avoid a lot of discussion at budget time. Also, he said, the members of the Utility Board thought this was a good suggestion.

Mr. Rowlands brought up that there were some amendments to be made in the Ordinance. On Page 12, Sec. 1.12.330 under computation of pay for less than full pay periods in connection with the Belt Line employees, Mr. Barline had asked that this paragraph "A" be deleted. Mr. Barline also suggested deleting all of Section "D" with the exception of the first nine words of the Section which states "the payroll period shall be on a bi-weekly basis."

Mr. Barline asked that Section 1.12.350 also be amended by deleting the last two lines which state "the equivalent monthly rates shown in parenthesis as above stated, shall be the designated rates of compensation to be paid to all Belt Line Railway employees."

Mr. Mc Cormick said inasmuch as Sec. 1.12.350 is not included in the Ordinance, they would have to bring in an Ordinance next week incorporating this, and also deleting portions of Section 1.12.330.

Mr. Bixel said there was a minor technical correction that should be made in Section 1.12.200 on Page 4 in the last paragraph. On the first line after the word "employees" insert the words "not required to work on holidays", and also on the fifth line after the words "provided that the" insert "employee was in a paid status in such appointment." This is only to clarify the meaning, he said.

Mr. Anderson moved to amend Section 1.12.200 on Page 4; on the first line after word "employees" insert the words "provided that the" insert "employee

was in a paid status in such appointment." Seconded by Mr. Bratrud. Vote was then taken on the amendment.

Roll call: Ayes 6; Nays 2, Easterday and Goering; Absent 1, Mayor Hanson.

Mr. Buchholz, representing Local 313, questioned the paragraph on page 3 pertaining to employees working the regular Monday through Friday work week, when one of the holidays falls on a Saturday, it will not be recognized even for an employee required to work such Saturdays, etc. He said he appeared before the Council in July of last year and by a motion passed unanimously, the Council agreed that when an employee worked a holiday which fell on a Saturday, he should receive time and a half plus his holiday pay.

Mr. Rowlands said that they have had many discussions on this matter trying to clarify this point. All of these meetings culminated in recommendations embodied in this Ordinance. He said it has been the practice of the City for many years not to recognize holidays falling on Saturday.

Mr. Bixel said he would like to clarify the situation by pointing out that next to the last paragraph on page 4, pertaining to employees working on any recognized holiday (Saturday not included), was the policy adopted by the Council in January.

Mr. Buchholz asked Mr. Rowlands if in any contract, does an employee working on a holiday get a holiday pay plus the premium pay provided for in the contract. If the City recognizes a holiday Monday through Friday, why not recognize Saturday also if a person must work that day, he added. Mr. Rowlands said that has been the policy of the City. He said he felt the Council has been most generous over the years. The average number of holidays granted throughout the United States is 6; the City Council has deemed it desirable to award 10 days, and in some years 11 days. It is entirely up to Council whether or not they want to recognize a holiday falling on Saturday.

Dr. Humiston said that since any part of the Ordinance could be amended during the entire year, it would be a grave error to hold the entire Ordinance up for clarification of this point.

Mr. Frank Bannon, representing I.B.E.W. #483, requested that the Compensation Plan provide for all Fire Alarm Dispatchers, Electricians and Traffic Signal Electricians to receive the same number of holidays as other City employees. At the present time there are nine fire alarm workers involved. Six employees receive holidays the same as other City employees. Three other employees doing the same kind of work, receive holidays the same as the Fire Service. The only basis for this discrimination is the retirement system under which the employees are classified which is not a proper criterion for determination of holidays. He said he felt employees in the same type of work should receive the same holidays. He asked that an amendment be made to Ordinance No. 16230 on page 12, Sec. 1.12.290. After words "Fire Service" and before "and employees" by inserting "other than Traffic-Signal Electrician Foreman, Fire Alarm Electrician, and Fire Alarm Electrician Foreman."

Dr. Humiston explained to Mr. Bannon that this was brought up before the Council a couple of weeks ago and the Council decided to take no action on it.

Mr. Rowlands said that the electricians will all eventually be under the same retirement system, but during this transitional period, we have both systems.

Mr. Anderson moved to adopt the Ordinance as amended. Seconded by Mr. Bratrud. Motion carried. Ayes 9; Nays 0; Absent 1, Mayor Hanson.

Mr. Perdue left the meeting at this time.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The Director of Public Works presents the assessment roll for the cost of the improvement of LID 2287 for an oil mat surface on Bell Street from South 52nd to South 56th Streets.

It was moved by Mr. Anderson that January 27, 1959 be set as the date for hearing on the Assessment roll. Seconded by Mr. Bratrud.

Roll call: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Perdue and Mayor Hanson.

City Planning Commission recommending the denial of the petition of Harold E. Wagner, et al for the rezoning of property at 6th and Huson Streets from an R-3 District to and R-4 District.

Notice of appeal has been filed by Harold E. Wagner, et al. Copy of the recommendation from the Planning Commission and also map submitted.

It was moved by Mr. Anderson to set December 29, 1959 as the date of hearing on this appeal. Seconded by Mr. Bratrud.

Roll call: Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Perdue and Mayor Hanson.

DISCUSSION ON FIRE ALARM SYSTEM - continued until this date.

Mr. Rowlands reviewed briefly MC-226 regarding the Survey of Alarm Systems. He said this MC was in response to the Council's request that additional information be obtained regarding the practices of other cities in providing automatic fire alarm protection to certain business and industries. A questionnaire was prepared by Chief Fisk, which was sent to 109 cities throughout the nation, having a population of 100,000 or more, and replies were received from 93 cities. As a result of this survey, Chief Fisk and himself reaffirmed the recommendations contained in MC-196 which were:

- (1) The City will offer protection only to those who do not have fire alarm protection.
- (2) The subscriber will present a plan of the proposed system to the Fire Chief for his approval.
- (3) A fee of \$50.00 will be charged for reviewing the blue prints and examining the installation.

- (4) The Subscriber will install the system at his own cost.
- (5) The system must be approved by the Fire Chief after is is installed to insure that the total system is not overloaded.
- (6) The subscriber must enter into a service contract with some service agency, which contract and agency must be approved by the City.
- (7) A line service charge of \$10.00 per month will be charged by the City. The City must provide this service to assure that is is not liable for any negligence.
- (8) If the subscriber desires that the City handle signals other than fire alarms, an additional \$10.00 per month will be charged.

Mr. Rowlands said they would like to have direction from the Council whether they should continue servicing those already in existence, whether they should be discontinued, or whether they should have a policy of permitting additional entries on this system.

Mr. W. J. Dahl, Sales District Manager of A.D.T. explained there is no particular reason why the City of Tacoma should be a party to a private fire alarm service by allowing them to connect to their fire alarm service, as this service can be rendered by a legitimate company that is set up to do business and meets central station standards. By allowing private companies to connect with municipal fire alarm service, the City is automatically becoming a part of the overall fire alarm system, as a private industry will depend on the Tacoma Fire Alarm System for the transmission of their signals. Should the proposed circuit be out of order at any time, then there is the possibility of private industry not having adequate fire alarm service.

He said that many Cities throughout the country are giving up the Telegraphic Municipal type of Fire Alarm System, and are contracting with the Bell Telephone Company for Fire Alarm Service, as they have found it much more efficient and less costly for the City. He pointed out that if the City allows any Company to purchase an expensive fire alarm system and then hook it up to the Municipal Fire Alarm System, they are taking on a moral obligation to see that they continue to receive Fire Alarm Service from the City.

He brought up the matter of what the Insurance brokers in the Tacoma area would have to say about this recommended policy, or what bearing it might have on the rating of the City at some future date if this practice is put into effect. He suggested that this be reviewed by the National Board of Underwriters, and possibly with a representative of the Washington Survey and Rating Bureau.

Mr. Pedersen, Assistant Manager of the Washington Survey and Rating Bureau, said on the surface these proposals look beneficial, but there are some undesirable features. The main one is, if you have standard fire alarm equipment, you must have maintenance. He said there have been many fire alarm systems come and go through the years, and he has come to the conclusion that unless a firm has a qualified and responsible maintenance, they don't have a qualified fire alarm service.

He said they have also found out in the Insurance business, that a third party maintenance contract is essential to fire alarm service. This is a requirement to the National Board Standard, and he said he understood the City's proposal contemplates this. A. D. T. is the sole example in the State of Washington to furnish maintenance contracts.

He said he felt it was the responsibility of the Fire Alarm industry to demonstrate through actual performance that they can furnish service before any municipality takes it upon itself to promote the installation of Fire Alarm Systems that are very apt to become sub-standard.

Mr. Dahl said they needed the cooperation of the Police and Fire Departments to exist, but they are objecting to the fact that the City is unfairly competing with private enterprise in allowing this practice. Mr. Rowlands said that this might be a valid argument to a certain degree. It may be they would want to change the policy as far as the schools and public buildings are concerned.

The Manager said he would like to make it clear that the City has no complaint against the way the A. D. T. conducts its operation, as they do a fine job protecting property, but the dilemma is what if there are some firms not wanting to be connected with A.D.T., but would desire another connection. The problem the City is faced with is should it provide such a system.

Mr. Dahl said he felt this was the important thing, and he agreed the schools should be protected to the utmost. If there is any way possible, the Alarm Superintendent should be directed, not only to install, but to maintain a fire alarm system; but in the matter of private industry, he felt the picture was different.

Dr. Humiston requested that the members of the Council be provided with the list of all the firms and organizations now connected with the City's Fire Alarm system. It was then suggested that the matter be given further study.

ALLIED HEARING:

This is the date to which the Council continued the hearing on the petition of Allied Owners, Inc., for the rezoning of the area bounded by the proposed freeway on the east; Pine Street on the west; South 43rd on the north and South 48th Street on the south, from an R-2 District, R-3 and C-1 Districts to a C-P-R Regional Shopping Center.

Mr. Rowlands said further study and discussion of this subject is desired by the Planning Commission, and it was their recommendation that this be set over until January 5, 1959.

Mr. Porter moved that the Allied Owners Inc., hearing be continued until January 5, 1959. Seconded by Mr. Anderson. Ayes 7; Nays 0; Absent 2, Mayor Hanson and Mr. Perdue.

MC-234 - Hood Street Reservoir - Yakima Avenue Bridge

Mr. Rowlands said MC-234 was the result of a meeting held at the Utility building in order to provide the members of the City Council with as much information

as possible regarding the proposed covering of a portion of the Hood Street Reservoir.

Mr. Rowlands said his recommendation in MC-234 was that the City include an amount for partially covering the Hood Street Reservoir, estimated by Mr. Whitacre to cost \$62,500.00

Dr. Humiston asked if the members of Council agree that this recommendation be followed, is it necessary to have Mr. Whitacre draw up the specifications for it. Mr. Anderson asked if the City engineers in the Public Works Department could not do this. Dr. Humiston said he was of the opinion that it was either up to Utilities or Mr. Whitacre. Mr. Schuster said this had been discussed with the Water Department, and they had suggested that Mr. Whitacre do the job.

Mr. Anderson said eventually it will be possible that the entire reservoir can be covered, and felt this should be kept in mind while designing the partial covering.

Mr. Al Benedetti, Supt. of Water, said when discussing this with Mr. Schuster, Director of Public Works and Mr. Whitacre, that Mr. Whitacre felt that the appurtenances to the bridge would be considered as part of the bridge, and as such it should be the responsibility of his firm to do the covering of the Reservoir, although he thought they would have engineers in their department that could undertake the design; but he said they did consent to Mr. Whitacre's performing the design for the coverage and in turn their engineers check this design and consult with him on the premise this would be considered part of all appurtenances to the bridge structure itself. So that was the theory on which Mr. Whitacre was to undertake this design, he added. Dr. Humiston said they will check the contract to see if this was included.

Mr. Rowlands said the City is being very fair in its proposition to cover a portion of the reservoir, but in the future any complete covering will be the responsibility of the Water Division. In the past, before the Yakima Bridge project was every contemplated, the Water Utility had discussed the desirability of covering the reservoir.

Mr. Easterday said there are firms in Tacoma interested in this project, and he felt they should be given an opportunity to bid on it, as long as this is a separate job from the bridge.

Dr. Humiston asked that a Resolution be brought in providing for a partial covering of the Hood Street Reservoir as recommended by Mc 234 and that the name of the engineering firm, to prepare the plans and specifications, be left blank.

Dr. Humiston appointed the new L I D Committee members for the period of December, January and February: Mr. Bratrud, Mr. Easterday and Mrs. Goering. He announced that the L I D meetings were held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month, and that the next meeting was Tuesday, December 9, 1958 at 4:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers.

Mr. Anderson brought up Resolution No. 15547 regarding the Century 21 Exposition. He said he has attended several meetings in Seattle, and is certain that this is going through. He felt that Council is wrong in trying to block this. Millions of dollars are being spent on this in Seattle. The Fair, as planned, has the financial support of the federal government. He said Tacoma should let it be known that it is in favor of this and reap some of the benefits. 342 537

Mr. Porter said one suit has been filed against the proposed Seattle Fair, and another pending. The pending suit is one that was withdrawn because of legal technicalities, and a thirty day period must elapse before it can be filed. The thirty days is up sometime this week and he said he has been assured that the injunction will be attached again, not only in Seattle, but also on a State level. Therefore, he felt that Council should wait to see what the Legislature will do about this.

Mr. Anderson said since he wanted the Council's unanimous vote on this it would be best to wait until January 5, 1959 on this Resolution.

Mr. Bratrud said the City had hired a firm to give them advice on the building problems of the County-City Building some time back, and now they have received a bill from the County Commissioners for their percentage, amounting to \$132.30. Mr. then moved that this bill, in the amount of \$132.30, be paid. Seconded by Mr. Anderson. Ayes 8; Nays 0; ABSENT 1, Mayor Hanson.

Mr. Rowlands distributed a report on Simulation Studies of Air Traffic Control problems in high density areas to the Council for their perusal.

Mr. Rowlands displayed the plaque given at the A.M. A. Meeting for work accomplished by the Council Citizens' Committee. He added that the A.M.A. was impressed with the work accomplished by the Citizens Committee, radio, TV, and newspapers in Tacoma. There were 15 entries from all over the country, and only one award was given out and that was to Tacoma.

Mr. Rowlands said he would like to bring the Council up to date on the housing Demolition Bill. He said the members of the Legislative Council accepted this Bill favorably and will be considered at the next session of the Legislature.

There being no further business or comments from the audience, the Council adjourned at 6:55 P.M.

Home Hurmston
Vice Mayor

Attest:

Josephine Nelson